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Mr. Lee Molyneaux, Chairman
City of Kingston Planning Board
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Dear Mr. Molyneaux:

Ulster County is in the process of coordinating the establishment and implementation of an Enhanced 9-1-1 system. As you know, this countrywide system will be used to facilitate the reporting of, and response to, emergency, fire, police and ambulance calls.

In the established of Enhanced 9-1-1, the house numbering on streets is critical and a responsibility of the Postal Service.

Equally important is locating an emergency is the street name. Duplicate names and even names that sound the same could cause a problem. Street naming is a local responsibility usually determined by a builder filing a map with a Planning Board or the town Board. To avoid the possibility of duplication, the New York State Legislature passed a law authorizing Ulster County to review and approve all new street names.

It is the intention of this agency, therefore, to establish a simple procedure to review names for approval and provide a rapid response for all applications received. Accordingly, we have drafted a form called "Ulster County Street Name Assignment Request". No subdivision map (or new assigned names) can be filed unless approval from this agency is attached. I have enclosed a copy of the enabling legislation and draft form we plan to use.

Enhanced 9-1-1 will save lives and unique street naming is an important step in insuring its success. As this will be a new procedure for all of us, a team effort and your support are critical in this endeavor. Please make us aware of concerns and problems, if, and when, they occur.

Thank you for your past support and your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,
Priscilla A. Mc Bride
Director